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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2011 2:30 PM
To: 'KSpiro'
Subject: RE: Form Returned: Letter_of_Protest_Form_pub_0001.pdf

Dear Mr. Spiro:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to our PSC Website Comments.

I am forwarding your email to our Clerk's Office for handling. Your email will become a part of Docket No. 2011-47-WS and will be posted on our website under this Docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling

-----Original Message-----

From: KSpiro [<mailto:KSpiro@advicoach.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2011 4:35 PM
To: Contact
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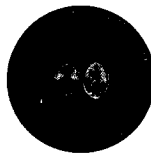
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Date: * May 11, 2011

Letter of Protest
in Docket * 2011 - 47 - WS

Print

Email

Protestant Information:

Name * Keith Spiro

Mailing Address * 24 Old Fox Trail

City, State Zip * Lake Wylie, SC 29710 Phone * 803.831.2415

E-mail

1. What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

Customer of Carolina Water Services Inc

2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

Water is certainly one of our most valuable resources, and clean water important to life and health.

However, though Carolina Water Service Inc (AKA Utilities Inc) is already charging prices that are higher than half of the cities listed in the circle of blue report - The price of Water: A Comparison of Water Rates, Usage in 30 US Cities (<http://www.circleofblue.org/waternews/2010/world/the-price-of-water-a-comparison-of-water-rates-usage-in-30-u-s-cities/>)

Normalizing my last water bill for 100 gallons a day I am paying \$59.75 under the current plan, more than Las Vegas, Denver, San Jose, Milwaukee. I am currently even paying more than twice as high as Fresno, and almost twice as high as Chicago. If I use the new proposed value (and keeping the Usage charge of the the waste water the same as there is no indication of what the higher level would be) my bill for the same water usage would be \$98.82. That would put me in the 4th highest water price in the study listed above. While I would like to be compared with cities like Seattle, Atlanta, and San Diego in many ways, the cost of water is not one.

Finally, I would agree with a commodity charge increase - after all that means that those that use more will pay more, but such a large increase in the base facilities charges I absolutely cannot support.

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding , if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? *
(This section should be completed.)

No